

DESCRIPTION OF A NEW SPECIES OF LIZARD OBTAINED
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LYGOSOMA SUBCÆRULEUM, *Sp. n.*

SECTION *Keneuria*. Habit lacertiform; the distance between the end of the snout and the fore limb contained once and one-fourth in the distance between axilla and groin. Snout rather elongate, obtusely pointed, much depressed. Lower eyelid scaly. Nostril pierced in the middle of a small nasal; a supranasal, not in contact with its fellow; frontonasal a little broader than long, in contact with the rostral; præfrontals forming a median suture; frontal only a little larger than the interparietal, in contact with the first and second supraoculars; four supraoculars, second largest; nine supra-ciliaries; frontoparietals and interparietal distinct, subequal, the latter separating the parietals; a pair of nuchals; four labials anterior to the subocular. Ear opening very small. 28 scales round the middle of the body, dorsals feebly striated and a little larger than ventrals. Digits moderately elongate, with strong sharp claws, the basal phalanges somewhat depressed, the distal strongly compressed. Subdigital lamellæ smooth, 14 under the fourth toe. Bronzy olive above, with small whitish black-edged spots; a dark streak from the eye to the shoulder, and a pair of black streaks on the back of the head and nape; lower parts blue.

Total length	Millim. 120	Fore limb.....	Millim. 18
Head	„ 15	Hind limb.....	„ 23
Width of Head...	„ 8	Tail	„ 60
Body	„ 45		

A single specimen from Bodanaikanur, Travancore, presented to the British Museum by Mr. H. S. Ferguson.

